

*Public Welfare a Division of Child Welfare which shall be responsible for the administration of all programs involving the welfare of children, including aid to dependent children, adoption, foster care, protective service and social work with the illegitimately pregnant.*

*(b) The Division of Child Welfare shall be under the immediate supervision and direction of an assistant director of public welfare who shall be thoroughly qualified by training and experience in child welfare work and shall be directly responsible to the Director of Public Welfare. The assistant director shall be appointed by the Director with the approval of the Board of Public Welfare, and shall receive such salary as is provided in the budget. The Division shall have a staff sufficient for the proper performance of its duties and to insure Statewide supervision and control of all child welfare programs.*

4A.

*(a) The ~~Division of Child Welfare~~ DEPARTMENT shall have an Advisory Council, ON CHILD WELFARE composed of one member of the State Board of Public Welfare appointed by its chairman, one person representing the State Department of Health appointed by the Commissioner, one person representing the State Department of Mental Hygiene appointed by the Commissioner, one person representing the State Department of Employment Security appointed by the State Director, one person representing the courts appointed by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, and six additional persons representing voluntary child welfare organizations and the public appointed by the Governor who shall designate one of said six persons to serve as chairman. Each member of the Council shall serve thereon at the pleasure of the official by whom he was appointed, and shall receive no compensation for his service, but shall be paid the reasonable expenses necessary for the discharge of his official duties. The ~~assistant director of public welfare in charge of the Division of Child Welfare~~ shall serve as executive secretary to the Advisory Council.*

*(b) The Advisory Council to the ~~Division of Child Welfare~~ DEPARTMENT shall have continuing responsibility for the initiation of activity leading to strengthened child welfare services including prevention and control of illegitimacy by providing leadership through investigation and recommendation of policy, programs and plans for their implementation.*

*(c) The Advisory Council shall report the results of its investigations and make its recommendations to the Board of Public Welfare. The Council shall publish its assessment of the progress and effectiveness of the State's efforts to strengthen child welfare services and to control illegitimacy, and its recommendations for their improvement, through the annual report of the State Department of Public Welfare to the General Assembly.*

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1963.

Approved April 17, 1963.